

TORCH IS PUT TO CITY HALL IN CORK

16 MORE INDICTED IN GRAFT HUNT

To-Night's Weather—UNSETTLED.

To-Morrow's Weather—OCCASIONAL RAIN.

THE EVENING
WORLD
FINAL
EDITION

The
Evening
World

THE EVENING
WORLD
FINAL
EDITION

"Circulation Books Open to All."

"Circulation Books Open to All."

VOL. LXI. NO. 21,600—DAILY.

Copyright, 1920, by The Press Publishing Co. (The New York World).

NEW YORK, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 1920.

Entered as Second-Class Matter Post Office, New York, N. Y.

PRICE THREE CENTS

WITNESS HELD IN CONTEMPT 13 TIMES AT HEARING BY LOCKWOOD COMMITTEE

Joseph Kenny of Building Bureau Flaunts Authority of the Legislators.

HIS BOOKS IMPOUNDED.

Mr. Untermeyer Tries Vainly to Force Him to Answer—Miss O'Dea Eliminated.

At the end of the morning session of the Lockwood Committee at the City Hall today, Joseph Kenny, dealer in building supplies and chairman of the Building Supply Bureau, a recalcitrant witness, who was ten times successively adjudged in contempt, produced all the books of the organization. They were marked in evidence.

Martin Conboy, attorney for the bureau, who had filed an objection with the committee to any use of three records except in the process of questioning witnesses, shouldered his big frame to the rail and wanted to know if the committee was "impounding the records" of his client, and was exceeding the rights and privileges which prevailed under a subpoena duces tecum in any court.

Samuel Untermeyer, counsel for the committee, said Mr. Conboy might keep physical possession of the books if he liked, but "members, counsel, statisticians and accountants of the committee must be free to dig into them for material useful to the committee in its appointed work."

Then ensued a roaring attack by Mr. Conboy on what he termed the lawlessness of the committee. He brushed aside all the past objections of Mr. Untermeyer to the appearance of outside counsel before the committee. He forced a direct argument with Mr. Untermeyer and addressed the chairman and made them listen to him and got his remarks on the record.

BOOKS AND RECORDS ARE ORDERED SEIZED.

In the end Chairman Lockwood directed the Sergeant-at-Arms to seize the books and papers and hold them in his possession until Mr. Conboy should agree to allow the committee to delve into them as it pleased.

Mr. Conboy left the hearing declaring his intention to go before the supreme court and every other available court to remedy the "usurpation" of the rights of his clients. The prospect for one or more days of delay at least of the proceedings through temporary stays and motions was regarded as very likely.

Counsel for the committee were also busy after the noon adjournment devising plans for bringing about the immediate indictment of Mr. Penny for contempt. They held

(Continued on Second Page.)

16 MORE INDICTED AS THE RESULT OF GRAFT DISCLOSURES

All Employers in Building Industry—Accused of Destroying Records.

Under an indictment of the additional Grand Jury, sixteen members of the Employing Metallic Furring and Lathing Association, were arraigned before Judge Mulqueen in the Court of General Sessions today, charged with having "willfully and unlawfully" destroyed records wanted by the Lockwood Investigating Committee. The association has a membership of twenty, and it is alleged that nineteen of the members were present at the meeting when the records were destroyed. The sixteen under indictment are anxious to know why the other three escaped.

The men indicted, with their business addresses, are as follows:

Arthur Greenfield, president, No. 204 East 26th Street; Frank L. Adams, No. 202 East 38th Street; Robert E. Carriell, No. 44 East 23rd Street; William Burke, No. 17 West 42nd Street; George W. De Mary, No. 501 East 125th Street; Adam H. Laurie, No. 2793 Moshulu Avenue, the Bronx; Robert G. McCartney, No. 1480 Broadway; Edward McKiever, No. 718 Union Avenue, the Bronx; Frank White, No. 233 Tenth Avenue; James J. O'Neill, Woodside Avenue, Long Island City; William G. Plumb, No. 1547 Commonwealth Avenue, the Bronx; Charles Drake, No. 609 West 59th Street; Francis Blusher, No. 319 East 23rd Street; Martin Moynahan, No. 724 Eighth Avenue; Frank Union, No. 151 East 33rd Street; P. A. Bourquill, No. 124 East 32nd Street.

The sixteen men pleaded not guilty and were released in \$1,000 bail each. They were allowed ten days in which to file motions. The offense with which they are charged is punishable by imprisonment of from six months to three years or a fine of \$500, or both. The indictment sets forth that on Oct. 25, 1920, the said defendants knowing that a certain paper, record and instrument in writing which was relevant, pertinent and material to the subject matter being inquired into by the Lockwood Committee, to wit, the minutes of a special meeting of the association held on or about April 24, 1920, was destroyed, willfully and unlawfully, with intent thereby to prevent the same from being produced before the said committee.

Witnesses heard before the Grand Jury were Arthur Greenfield, Marie Gaymen, Edward Escher, Frank L.

(Continued on Second Page.)

FIVE YEARS IN JAIL FOR PONZI ON HIS PLEADING GUILTY

Get-Rich-Quick Promoter Sentenced Only on One of 43 Counts in Indictment.

TAKES IT JAUNTILY.

Scribes "Sic Transit Gloria Mundi" on Paper and Hands It to Reporters.

BOSTON, Nov. 30.—Charles Ponzi, promoter of the quick-rich scheme in which thousands of persons invested millions of dollars before it collapsed last August, pleaded guilty to using the mails in a scheme to defraud in the Federal District Court today.

Sentence of five years in the Plymouth County Jail was imposed by Judge Hale. The court took into consideration only the first count of one indictment of forty-three counts, in which it was charged that Ponzi had represented falsely that he was able to pay interest at the rate of 50 per cent. in forty-five days from profits made in international postal reply coupons.

In arguing on the question of sentence, Daniel M. Coakley, senior counsel for Ponzi, told the court that it was only after strenuous advice from counsel and members of the discredited financier's family that he agreed to retract his plea of not guilty and plead guilty instead. Mr. Ponzi insisted, and still insists, that there was in his mind no intent to defraud any one, his counsel declared. "The little Italian, who, with prison sentences in Canada and this country behind him, developed his supposed scheme of exchange in international postal reply coupons to proportions that made him a marked figure in finance, only to have his house of easy money topple over on him when the props of income from investors were pulled out, had an air of swaggar when he faced the court."

As he faced another long prison sentence while his youthful wife sobbed at his shoulder, he pencilled on a memorandum block his parting word to the public: "Sic transit gloria mundi" (thus passes the glory of the world), and handed it to the press.

When he went up to the bench to plead a moment later he was emphatic when he said: "I do not to the clerk's question whether he wished to change his plea of not guilty, and was equally assertive as he made the plea 'guilty' in loud tones in the next breath.

Ponzi will begin his sentence at the County Jail in Plymouth with \$5 counts of the Federal indictment against him on file, and with charges of larceny in many counts outstanding against him in the State courts. He is due, also, to face his creditors, of whom there are more than 11,000, on Dec. 8, when he will be subject to their interrogations as to what he did with the millions entrusted to him, of which his Federal receivers have been able to retrieve only a small part.

EX-KAISERIN MUCH WORSE.

Former Crown Prince Again Summoned to Mother's Bedside.

DOORN, Holland, Nov. 30.—Augusta Victoria, former German Empress, who has been suffering from a grave heart attack, was much worse today. She had a high fever and was only semiconscious.

Frederick William, former Crown Prince, again has been summoned and is hurrying from his residence at Wieringen to his mother's bedside.

BOLLING DENIES SHIP BRIBE STORY ON WITNESS STAND

Wilson's Brother-in-Law Swears He Never Shared in \$40,000 Fund.

GOT THREATS BY MAIL.

Lost \$17,000 in Brokerage Firm That Figured in "Leak" Charge.

R. William Bolling, brother-in-law of President Wilson and Treasurer of the Shipping Board, under oath today denounced as untrue the declaration made by Tucker K. Sands that he had participated in a bribe alleged to have been paid by Wallace Downey for influencing the passing of Shipping Board contracts. He appeared before the Walsh Congressional Committee at the Hotel Pennsylvania. Mr. Bolling demanded, "both for my own and my family's sake," that all of his business transactions with Sands be investigated.

Alonso Tweedale, Comptroller of the Board, sat beside Mr. Bolling and frequently conferred with him during the time Mr. Bolling was testifying.

Mr. Bolling identified a telegram sent by him to Chairman Joseph Walsh in which he had denounced as untrue the charge by Tucker K. Sands that he had received part of an alleged bribe for securing shipbuilding contracts, and demanding an investigation.

From August 23, 1917, to May 1, 1920, he was Assistant Treasurer of the Shipping Board, and on the latter date he became Treasurer. His acquaintance with Sands dated from 1917. It was while in the real estate business, from 1914 to 1917, with William Todd, under the firm name of Bolling & Todd, that he built a house for Sands, he said. Part of the financial arrangements connected with this building transaction figured largely in Mr. Bolling's explanation to the committee of the passage of notes and checks between Sands and himself. These, the witness declared, were solely in connection with legitimate business transactions.

GAVE UP HIS PROFITS ON BUILDING HOUSE.

The agreed price of the house was \$12,200, but when it was completed there were extra charges of \$1,200. To the extra charges Sands and his wife made such unpleasant objection, the witness said, that he offered to waive his share—\$600. Sands later agreed to reimburse him for this, he stated.

Later, in 1918, there was a complaint that an injustice had been done to the Downey Company through the diversion of "bidding roll" machinery to another firm. Bolling aided in adjusting the matter. "A short time after this," said the witness, "Mr. Sands told me he had made, or would make, \$1,000 in connection with this transaction, and that

(Continued on Twenty-third Page.)

WILSON ACCEPTS REQUEST TO ACT ON ARMENIA

Will Be Mediator on Condition That Only Moral Force Is Used.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30. (Associated Press).—President Wilson has accepted the invitation of the League of Nations to act as mediator in the Armenian situation. The President's acceptance is conditioned upon the use of moral influence. He explains that he is without authority to employ force without the consent of Congress.

Cork City Hall That Was Set Afire; Reported to Be Seriously Damaged



BOY BURGLAR SHOT BLUFFING COP WITH UNLOADED PISTOLS

Mother Unaware of Son's Plight Until Informed by Evening World Reporter.

Mrs. Mary Steele, No. 2781 Eighth Avenue, after an almost sleepless night because the youngest of her nine children had failed to come home, was notified shortly before 9 o'clock this morning by a reporter for The Evening World that her son was in serious condition in the French Hospital. He had been shot by a policeman following a robbery. The police, who knew the boy's home address, did not inform his parents of his plight.

David Steel, seventeen, is the baby of the family. After the war he enlisted in the navy, giving his age as more than eighteen. His mother obtained his discharge. Yesterday afternoon, the mother said, David went out in search of work.

"Why did they not notify me, that I could go to my boy in the hospital?" asked the anguished mother. Policeman Joseph Smith of the West 37th Street Station was standing on the south side of 42d Street, near Eighth Avenue, at 1:15 A. M. today when there was a crash of glass at No. 247, across the street, in the precinct covered by the West 47th Street Police Station.

He saw three boys grab a number of objects from the window in Bernard J. Sloane's army and navy sales store and scatter. Two of them went north. The third ran to Eighth Avenue and started south.

The policeman, calling repeatedly on the boy to halt, chased him a block in Eighth Avenue and west to 1st Street, until the fugitive reached the public bath at No. 351. Then the pursued whirled with a big navy pistol in each hand and said: "I've got the drop on you. Now, step back, you, or I'll shoot and blow your head off."

(Continued on Second Page.)

UNTERMAYER WILL DIRECT FINANCES OF ALLAN A. RYAN

Banks "Overwhelmingly Secured," Lawyer Says in Letter of Acceptance.

Samuel Untermeyer has accepted the responsibility of looking after the legal aspect of the relations of Allan A. Ryan with certain banks to which he owes large sums of money, secured by collateral said to be worth much more than the amount borrowed. But the public duties in which Mr. Untermeyer is now engaged prevent his giving more than supervisory attention to Mr. Ryan's affairs, and Mr. Ryan has agreed to an arrangement along those lines.

At the suggestion of Mr. Untermeyer the details of the work of straightening out Mr. Ryan's affairs will be taken over by Alvin Untermeyer, one of Samuel Untermeyer's sons, and Harold Content of the law firm of Griffiths, Saragat & Content. In a communication to Mr. Ryan today Mr. Untermeyer said:

"Such study of the situation as I have been able to make confirms me in the belief that your interests require prompt and vigorous representation. The banks are manifestly overwhelmingly secured and you have an equity of millions of dollars, provided you are properly safeguarded. As far as I have found no reason to question the good will of the banks, which it is your duty to assume until something transpires that convinces you to the contrary, although I believe that the transaction as consummated should, in justice to you, be substantially modified. 'In justice to public duties I have assumed and which are of vastly greater moment to the public and to me than inter-meddling any one man or set of men and with which I am determined not to permit my private interests or anything due to interference, it will be impossible for me to give to your affairs constant personal attention that they require, I

INCENDIARIES FIRE CORK CITY HALL; PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS UNDER GUARD

Parts of London Resemble Armed Camps—Reprisals Follow Quickly Slaying of 15 Police Recruits—People of Nearby Villages Flee for Life.

BELFAST, Nov. 30.—The City Hall at Cork was set on fire this morning, and reports from that city state the Thomas Ashe Sinn Fein Club and the Charlotte Quay are ablaze. Much damage has been done, it is stated.

LONDON, Nov. 30.—Public buildings in London and in many of the other large cities of England were closely guarded by heavy detachments of police and detectives last night against apprehended Sinn Fein attacks. In this city the patrol was not limited to the streets, but armed motorboats moved up and down the Thames in front of the Parliament buildings.

The Evening Standard to-day said the protective measures included precautions at Buckingham Palace while the royal family is there.

"The precise nature of the precautions cannot be disclosed," the newspaper states, "but they are elaborate. When the King and Queen arrived yesterday there were considerably more uniformed police around the Palace than usual, and the military guard also was strengthened."

With Downing Street and its immediate neighborhood shut off from the rest of the city by a high fence, which was constantly under the eyes of uniformed men, and with the Parliament buildings sentinelled, Government sections of London to-day assumed the atmosphere of an armed camp.

The London County Council fire brigade is taking the most stringent precautions to protect its ninety-odd fire stations and be prepared for all emergencies. Every station has been circularized to the effect that all doors except the main entrances must be locked at dusk and that entering strangers must be closely questioned.

There was a rush to-day by property owners for insurance, especially on timber stocks all over London.

There is nothing to connect the Sinn Fein with the explosion of a bomb in a warehouse in Old Swan Lane, this city, early this morning, but the people of the city ascribed it to that organization. The bomb, which apparently was carried into the warehouse in a travelling bag and left there to explode by means of a time fuse, was heard over a wide area of the city and blew out the windows of buildings near by. It started a fire, but the police and firemen, who were on the scene almost immediately, extinguished the flames before they gained headway. The street where the warehouse is situated has been closed by the police. It is a narrow thoroughfare near London Bridge and contains no dwelling houses.

Experts from Scotland Yard examined the place to-day, nobody being permitted to enter the offices on the upper floors. It seemed evident the damage from the fire was but slight. Several firms, shipping agents and manufacturers used the building.

Several men suspected of setting fire to warehouses in Liverpool on Saturday night are under arrest. It is asserted by the police that American "gunmen" are in that city, and assertion is made that men wanted in Ireland for shooting policemen and soldiers have crossed the Irish Sea to Liverpool. The financial loss occasioned by Saturday night's fire in Liverpool is estimated at \$1,000,000 (nominally about \$5,000,000).

Masked men entered and set fire to the building housing the Dublin Freeman's Journal last night. Considerable damage was done the building.

(Racing Entries on Page 2.)

**Classified Advertisers
Important!**

Classified advertising copy for The Sunday World should be in the office of the advertiser on or before Friday preceding publication.

Classified Advertisements for Week Days Received
DAILY AFTER 8 A. M.
For publication the following day.
EARLY COPY
Resolves the Preference When Advertising Has to Be Decided
THE WORLD.